Handout #6

Bacteria Criteria and Assessment

Description of Flow Type (use published flow type or other reliable source)	Classified Water Bodies (in Appendix A of the TSWQS)				Unclassified Water Bodies (1)			
	Most Typically Designated CR Use	Designated Criteria average/single sample (cfu/100 mLs)	Presumed 7Q2 if not published with or no information to contrary (cfs)	Eliminate samples collected below the 7Q2 (2)	CR Use	Designated Criteria average/single sample (cfu/100 mLs)	Presumed 7Q2 if not published with or no information to contrary	Eliminate samples below 7Q2
Fresh Water Perennial Stream	High	126/394 E. coli 200/400 fecal coliform	0.1	yes	High	126/394 E. coli 200/400 fecal coliform	0.1	no
Fresh Water Intermittent Stream with Perennial Pools	High	126/394 E. coli 200/400 fecal coliform	0.1	yes	High	126/394 E. coli 200/400 fecal coliform	0.1	no
Fresh Water Intermittent Stream	High	126/394 E. coli 200/400 fecal coliform	0.1	yes	High	126/394 E. coli 200/400 fecal coliform	0.1	no
Reservoir	High	126/394 E. coli 200/400 fecal coliform	n/a	n/a	High	126/394 E. coli 200/400 fecal coliform	n/a	n/a
Tidal Stream	High	35/89 Enterococcus 200/400 fecal coliform	n/a	n/a	High	35/89 Enterococcus 200/400 fecal coliform	n/a	n/a
Estuary	High	35/89 Enterococcus 200/400 fecal coliform	n/a	n/a	High	35/89 Enterococcus 200/400 fecal coliform	n/a	n/a

^{1.} TCEQ has assigned Contact Recreation Use to all unclassified water bodies as part of the general criteria in the Texas Surface Water Quality Standards (TSWQS).

^{2.} Presume event was above the 7Q2 for classified stream segments when no flow information is available for the event. Note that flow severity of 1 is no flow or 0.0 cfs and the event should not be assessed.